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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
AS DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS  
ENTERING THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL PHASE

In the matter of  
U.S. National Phase Entry  
Under 35 USC 371 from  
the International Application of  
BOTTOMLEY, et al.  
Int'l Application No. PCT/US 99/16078  
Filed in the RO/US on 16 July 1999  
Titled: Robotic System

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

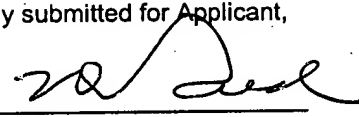
Before computing the fees for entering the captioned International Application into the U.S. National Phase, please enter the following amendments **IN THE CLAIMS**:

- In Claim 3, delete "or claim 2,".
- In Claim 4, replace "any of claims 1 to 3" with -Claim 1--.
- In Claim 5, replace "any of claims 1 to 4" with -Claim 1--.
- In Claim 7, delete "or claim 6,"
- In Claim 11, delete "or Claim 10,"

The support for these amendments is found in the claims as originally filed. These amendments are being entered to bring the claims into conformance with, *inter alia*, 37 CFR §1.75; no new matter is added.

Respectfully submitted for Applicant,

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